Missile Ranger, Nov. 15, 2002 -- To Team White Sands:

At last week's Town Hall meeting we discussed a new initiative called the Third Wave. Yesterday I forwarded a request to DTC seeking an exemption from the Third Wave process for all functions performed by ATEC WSMR activities. This in no way means the request will be approved, but it is the first step, and it is in keeping with my stated philosophy - that I am totally committed to protecting the integrity of the White Sands workforce.

I'll continue using the Missile Ranger over the weeks ahead as a forum to provide periodic updates on the status of the Third Wave as new information becomes available.

Sincerely, William F. Engel Brigadier General, U.S. Army Commanding General